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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

FROM   : John F. Blake
                   Deputy Director for Administration

        Harry:

        1. Let me return this paper and suggest that you
and your colleagues do an additional step before I go
any further with it.

        2. You state on page 4 that the selection of speakers
from the approved list would come before an "Advisory
Committee" drawn from the four Directorates to advise on
speakers and topics. Now I know we are here faced with a
classic "chicken and egg" situation, but I would submit
the following. For six proposed presentations in the
forthcoming fiscal year, we will serve a platter of about
65 public speakers and topics. I think it in order before
I do anything else on this to suggest you convene your
"Advisory Committee" and have them prioritize down to
perhaps the 20th choice. After this is done we will then
have a reflection from all Agency components as to what
speakers and topics appear to have the greatest interest
to the collective interest of the population of the Agency.
I believe this would be helpful to the DCI and the DDCI
as they make a final review of this product, as well as the
other Deputy Directors. I would not be hesitant to
include "controversial speakers", i.e., the Harringtons
in life, in your prioritized list. We can easily delete
them should that be the decision.

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        3. Let me know your reaction.

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